

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of:

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Title: DUAL-PURPOSE PRIMERS AND PROBES FOR PROVIDING ENHANCED  
HYBRIDIZATION ASSAYS BY DISRUPTION OF SECONDARY STRUCTURE  
FORMATION

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed on May 25, 2010, please reconsider this application in view of the response set forth in this paper. As this paper is timely filed within the three-month shortened statutory period for response, no extension fee accompanies this paper.

**LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:**

The listing of the claims is set forth on pages 2 to 7 of this paper.

**REMARKS:**

Applicants' remarks in support of this application are set forth on pages 8 to 21 of this paper.